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TERRORIST ATTACKS ON TRAINS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been some terrorist attack's on trains during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of loss of life and property in these attacks;

(d) whether the Government proposes to take any special security measures to prevent such attacks on trains;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The number of terrorist attacks on trains reported over Indian Railways during the last three years i.e. 2005, 2006 and 2007 alongwith the details of causality / loss of lives and damage of Railway's property are as under:-

Year	Number of cases reported	Number of persons Killed	Injured	Value of Railway's Property damaged (In Rs.)
2005	2	18	61	10,92,146
2006	10	188	897	97,66,239
2007	7	75	19	51,34,666

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. "Policing" being a State subject, prevention, registration and investigation of IPC crimes like terrorist attacks, murder, dacoity, robbery etc. on Railways is the constitutional responsibility of the States' Governments concerned which they discharge through their Government Railway Police (GRP). However, Railway is supplementing the efforts of the State Governments in controlling crime on Railways by deploying Railway Protection Force staff to escort trains for security of passengers. The following preventive measures are being taken by Railways to prevent terrorist attacks in trains:-

1. Close liaison is maintained with State Police and Government Railway Police for taking suitable preventive measures in vulnerable sections of affected States to avert incidents of terrorist attacks.

2. Periodical meetings with State Administrations of affected States and police authorities are being regularly held by Railway Administration to formulate effective joint strategy to combat the problem of terrorist attack over Railway system.

3. Sharing of intelligence between Railway Protection Force, Government Railway Police and Intelligence Bureau of affected States have been given priority to combat terrorist attacks on Railways.

4. Guarding of vital installations and bridges has been intensified in vulnerable and sensitive areas.

5. Integrated Security System at more than 100 sensitive Railway stations for installation of Electronic Surveillance System, Modern Security Gadgets etc. to prevent terrorist attacks on Railways are going to be introduced.

(f): Does not arise.